

THE ROYALL REMONSTRANCE:

WITH

A Declaration to the People touching our Sovereign Lord King *CHARLES*; And two excellent Speeches spoken by his Royal Majesty, for the restoring of all his Loyall Subjects to their just Rights, Laws, Liberties, and Freedoms. With the proclaiming of the Kings most excellent Majesty (yesterday) in *Middlesex*, King of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*, and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c. And the Honorable Commissioners of Parliament beginning their Journey the same day to wait upon his Majesty, with the Parliaments Letter and Answer, to his Majesties gracious Message and Declaration; And the Desires of both *Houses*.



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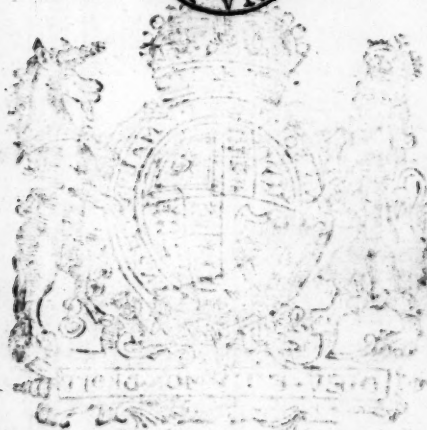
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A Petition to the People touching our, over-
looking CHURCHES; And two excellent Speeches
made by the Right Honourable Sir John
Glynne, one of the Knights of the Shire for
the County of Middlesex, touching the same
With the proceedings of the House of Commons
(written by) Sir John Glynne, Knight of the
Shire for the County of Middlesex, and
Glynne, one of the Knights of the Shire for
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The Royal Remonstrance :

WHereas there are many of the *Knipperdongs*, *Pish-Monarch* men, and the rest of that loole principled *Phariseick Gang*, that blush not to say, That Religion will be in *hazard* upon a closure with the KING, and that being trained up amongst the *Romish* party, he can do no less then gratifie them with a toleration. Nothing (doubtless) is of more concernment than the security of Religion; and for that part of it which is Protestant, this closure seems the onely way to secure it: But we are not to hearken to such as cry up Religion, and design Faction; that cry out zeal for the Lord of Hosts, when they intend self interest: Religion has not at all prosper'd by undue practices to advance it. *Tis piety, meekness, patience, humility, & those graces of the Spirit that convince and convert, when rigidness, censuring, and the sword exasperate and harden.* But have we not a Protestant Prince, and a Parliament of Protestants? Nay, such a Prince, that many of the Learned of the Church of Rome say of him, as the Bishop of *Montpelier* in France once said of his Royal Father King Charles of ever glorious memory, *That if he had been of their Religion, he had out shined all the Saints in their Calendar.* And true it is, that in the Low Countries the very Jew hath wept at the reading of his most elegant Book (translated into Dutch) *A true Entrail of refined piety, and regular piety* in a compassionate resentment of his meek patience under the savage deportment of his cruel enemies,

mies, most undeservedly acted upon him. In a word, of so large an extent was the malice and rage of the blood-thirsty enemies of our late martyr'd Sovereign King *Charles the first*, that they caused their ugly and execrable Sentence, of severing his head from his body, to be executed in the open street before his royal Palace; the fatal day of the said Execution, being *Tuesday, January the 30. 1648.* His Majesty ascending the Scaffold out of the Banqueting house, was not in the least affrighted, but shewed more care of the People living, then of himself dying: for after some heavenly discourse between him and the Bishop of *London*, having prepared himself he lifted up his eyes to heaven, mildly praying to himself he stooped down to the block as to a Prayer-desk, and most humbly bowed his generous Neck to God, to be cut off by the Vizarded Executioner, which was suddenly done at one blow. *Thus fell King Charles, and thus all Brittain with him.* But observe, what strange Witnesses were permitted to swear against his sacred Majesty, in this illegal & pretended *High Court of Justice, viz.* Thirty five sad miscreants, scarce a Gentleman, but most mechanicks, as *Ironmongers, Painters, Tilers, Felmakers, Shoemakers, Cordwainers, Weavers, Glovers, Butchers, one Forgerman, one Richard Price of London Scrivener, one David Evans, a Welchman Smith, Arthur Young Citizen and Barber Chirurgeon of London, & one Richard Price of London Scrivener..*

And as if this had not been enough to satisfie their arrogancie, they most inhumanely Banished that great person of Honour the true Heir to the Crown, and his royal relation, who being ashamed to see them they had so much wronged: And in compleat their wickedness (after they had visited their fellow members, because they were more honest and more numerous then themselves,) resolved to take away any whatsoever, that should controul them in their Avaracie and Tyranny; where upon they cut down those branches of Honour, the House of Lords, pulled those reverend Fathers down, the great Pillars of the Church, to support it against Heresie and Schism.

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And by advice of their masters the Jesuits, (the designers of the ruine of our truly reformed Church, and well-establisht State) under the fair gloses of Common Safety, Liberty, and Propriety, (*which they meant onely to themselves*) they have destroyed and enslaved the free born People of *England*, and have filled and taken possession, making themselves first Saints, and then the onely Proprietors of other mens estates and fortunes.

They pretended to vindicate the privileges of Parliament, and indeed raised the very Fundamental of it in their Arbitrary Power whereby contrary to the known Laws of the Land, they have erected High Courts of Justice, wherein they have murdered the Lords Anointed, and Sons of the loyal Nobility, and divers of the Gentry and Commonalty, persons of approved piety and integrity.

Under the vail of being good Husbunds for the Nation, they have altered the whole frame of the best Government of the Universe, to secure themselves from the just Account the established Laws would have called them to for their due Delinquency, and giving it out, *That monarchy is chargeable*, have raised greater sums of money by illegal Taxes and Impositions in a Commonwealth, then all the Kings have done since the Conquest.

Whereas, indeed, there is nothing more demonstrative for the clearing of this, than that upon the foot of the account we shall find Kingship a great ease to the publick charge. The old Protector was allotted no less than a constant Renew of nineteen hundred thousand pound to support the Government; yet that sum at the years end cleared not the account: And compare we this with the expences of our old Courts, when the Kings Revenue in Lands Perquisites, and Customs, exceeded not seven hundred thousand pounds a year, it adorn'd it with a glorious Court, a noble equipage for the honour of the Kingdom, and yet paid off a considerable Fleet, which has not been much improv'd by our vast payments.

But now it has pleased God, after many years expence of blood
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and treasure, to blow off on a suddain the grand designs of the Jesuitical Faction, and restore things by strange Providence to a right understanding betwixt King and Parliament, the onely Remedy to cure the Peoples grievances: A greater Wound could not possibly have befallen the enemies of our Church and Kingdom; for well they know how he has bin lectured by his Royal Father, as well as tutoured by experience; which may enable him as to be the wisest, so the most Religious Prince; and few there are that know him, but do aver, that he is endowed with singular Christian Graces, and moral vertues: The words of his Majesties Royal Father were these:

I do require and entreat you as your Father and your King, That you never suffer your Heart to receive the least check or disaffection from the true Religion established in the Church of ENGLAND: I tell you, I have tried it; and after much search and many Discourses, have found it to be the best in the world; not onely in the Communitie, Christian, &c. but also in the speciall notion as reformed; keeping the middle-way between the pomp of superstitious Tyranny, and the meekness of fantastick Anarchie: Not but that some times as in very good figures may happilie need some sweetning and polishing, which might here have easilie been done by a safe and gentle hand, &c. To this sence spake he, when he had no more to speak.

Again, his wife Father that had been beaten into the knowledge of the English Spirit, and fore-seeing the vanity of an empty and unprofitable Passion, advised him in these words:

Let no passion, my Son, betray you to any studie of Revenge upon these, whose own Sin and folly will sufficient-ly punish them in due time; but as soon as the forked Arrow of Faction is drawn out, use all Princelike Pity and Clemencie to heal the Wounds, that the smart of the cure

cure may not equal the anguish of the hurt: Let Oblivion be granted not only as an Act of State-policy, but of Charity as a charitable and choice. It is all that I have left me, a resource to forgive those that have degraded me of all; and I thank God (writes the KING) that I have a heart to do it, and joy as much in this Grace which God has given me, as in all my former enjoyments, for to me it is a greater argument of Gods love than my prosperity: Be confident, that the most of all sides that have done amiss, have done so not out of malice but misinformation, or misapprehension of things: None will be more loyal to me or to you, then those Subjects, who sensible of their Errors and Our Injuries, will feel in their own Souls most vehement motives to Repentance, and earnest Desires to make some Reparations for their former Defects:

You may read more in the advise to his Son, which truly I cannot subscribe without a high compassion and resentment: The like said his Majesty at his last hour: But the words of Our dying Sovereign have wonderfully survived in the Breast of our living Prince, a clear demonstration whereof we have elegantly set forth in his Maj. gracious Letters and Declarations. So that infinite hopes may we entertain that this Prince has bin Schooled to understand his Interest; He has had glorious, though unhappy Presidents; He truly is most potent that is so in his Subjects, not over his Subjects; that is great in his People, not over his People; the one makes him contemned abroad, and abhorred at home; the other makes him feared abroad, and beloved at home: foreign enemies can rejoyce in nothing more than our self combustions, while we consume that glorious spirit in conquering our own bowels, which other wise imployed, might be a terror to the World: Such exploits suit to the ancient glory of the *English*; his self-murthering suits a temper that neither fears God nor loves man.

But by the good hand of Providence these unhappy Breaches are now again cemented, and the glittering Beams of Loyalty shine forth from both Houses of Parliament, as well as the Universal concurrence of all the Commanders and forces both by Land and Sea, to receive his Majesty into his Dominions and Government, according to their bounden duty, and the Laws of the Land.

And in order thereunto, the Parliaments Commissioners having received their Instructions from both Houses, began their Journey to the King, *Friday* the 11th instant, to wait on his Majesty with a Letter, and their Answer unto his Majesties gracious Letter and Declaration: As also with the humble desires of both Houses unto his Majesty, that he would be pleased to return with all speed unto his Parliament.

Sir *John Greenville* began his Journey on *Thursday* last, to attend his Majesty with an account of the proceedings of both Houses of Parliament; Who have ordered that five thousand pound should be sent as a Present to the most Illustrious Prince the Duke of York, and five thousand pound to the Duke of Gloucester, as a testimony of their respect to the Royal Family.

The landing of the King at *Dover* seems dubious, by reason that Letters from *Paris* of this present instant *May*, S. V. from *Breda*, and *Amsterdam*, and *Amoy*, all there, as also the Dukes of *York* and *Gloucester*, and a great Concurrence of People, and a most splendid Court.

On the 11th, his Majesty was proclaimed in *Middlesex*: King of *Great Britain*, *France*, and *Ireland*, &c. the solemnity being carried on with an incredible concourse, and loud acclamations of Joy the people, crying

God bless King Charles; Long live his Majesty.

Let then with one accord, now let us cry,

May Charles our King reign o're Us, till we die.

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